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SERVICE BETWEEN U.S. AND JAPAN

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1. SUMMARY: KDD APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF TYMSHARE'S
APPLICATION EXPECTED TO BE SUBMITTED TO MINISTRY OF POSTS AND TELE-
COMMUNICATIONS (MPT) THURSDAY, JANUARY 26
ACCORDING TO TOKYO KOKUSAI TYMSHARE OFFICE.
NTT APPLICATION AND MPT FINAL APPROVAL EXPECTED TO FOLLOW
WITHIN SIX WEEKS OR LESS. END SUMMARY.

2. UPON RECEIPT OF REFTEL A, EMBASSY SPOKE WITH MR.
P. ASAMA, PRESIDENT OF KOKUSAI TYMSHARE, CONCERNING
PRESS REPORTS THAT KDD APPLICATION TO MPT FOR APPROVAL OF TYMSHARE
APPLICATION WOULD BE FORTHCOMING IN NEAR FUTURE.
MR. ASAMA INFORMED US THAT THIS MORING (WEDNESDAY,
JANUARY 25) HE LEARNED FROM KDD PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICE
THAT KDD PLANS TO MAKE FORMAL APPLICATION TO MPT
ON JANUARY 26 (THURSDAY) AND HOLD PRESS CONVERENCE AT
MPT AT 3:00 P.. TO ANNOUNCE THIS ACTION.

3. REGARDING NTT APPLICATION FOR APPORVAL, MR. ASAMA
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NOTED THAT WHILE IT COULD BE EXPTECTED TO TAKE ABOUT
FOUR WEEKS UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES, KOKUSAI TYMSHARE
HAS HAD NUMEROUS MEETINGS WITH NTT OFFICIALS LAREADY AND
HE IS HOPEFUL NTT ACTION MAY BE SPEEDED UP BY A WEEK
OR TWO.

4. MR. ASAMA LIKEWISE BELIEVES THAT MPT WILL ACT AS

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QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO GIVE FINAL APPROVAL ONCE KDD AND NTT APPLICATIONS ARE IN. HE NOTED THAT MR. SHIRAI (COUNSELOR OF COMMUNICATONS WHO HAS BEEN EMBASSY CONTACT IN MPT ON THIS CASE) IS VERY COOPERATIVE AND WILL DO WHAT HE CAN TO EXPEDITE MPT ACTION. EMBASSY AGREES WITH ASAMA'S ASSESSMENT OF SHIRAI AND CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT APPLICATION IS ON TRACK.

5. IF KDD ANNOUNCEMENT ON JANUARY 26 AS EXPECTED, EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT NO ADDITION ACTIONS ARE NECESSARY AT THIS TIME. IF KDD ACTION DOES NOT COME AS EXPECTED, EMBASSY WILL FOLLOW-UP WITH ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON REFTEL A.

6. MR. ASAMA REQUESTS THIS INFORMATION BE HELD IN CONFIDENCE UNTIL FORMAL KDD ANNOUNCEMENT.
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